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FEBRUARY 16, 1973

TO: HENRY A. KISSINGER
FROM: BRENT SCOWCROFT

1. THE PRESIDENT REVIEWED THE LIST OF CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES ON THE CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT, AND DECIDED THAT HE WOULD ACKNOWLEDGE THOSE FROM CANADA, MALI, AND BANGLADESH WITH SHORT MESSAGES STRESSING PEACE WITH HONOR.

2. REFERENCE HAKTO 82, SCHULTZ SUGGESTS THAT, IN VIEW OF EXTREME JAPANESE SENSITIVITY ON THE YEN LEVEL, THAT YOU AVOID DISCUSSION OF A SPECIFIC RATE. HE SUGGESTS THAT YOU SAY THAT THEY HAVE CARRIED OUT THEIR PART OF THE PAGAIN THUS FAR AND THAT WE HAVE NO PROBLEM AT ALL IN THAT AS THE WAY IN WHICH THEY HAVE HANDLED THE SITUATION IN THE MARKET. HE SAID, IF YOU WISH, YOU COULD POINT OUT THAT EXCHANGE RATES WILL NOT SOLVE THE ENTIRE PROBLEM AND YOU HOPED HE WOULD CONTINUE TO MOVE ALONG OTHER LINES WHICH HAD BEEN DISCUSSED (TARIFF REDUCTION, QUOTA LIBERALIZATION, TRADE AND CAPITAL LIBERALIZATION).

3. AS A RESULT OF LOOKING AT THE OVERALL VISIT SCHEDULE, THE PRESIDENT HAS APPROVED A VISIT FOR ANDREOTTI, INCLUDING ARRIVAL CEREMONY, SUBSTANTIVE MEETING, AND DINNER, FOR APRIL 10. WITH YOUR APPROVAL, WE WILL HAVE STATE CHECK INFORMALLY ON THE ACCEPTABILITY OF THE 10 APRIL DATE. ONCE THIS HAS BEEN CONFIRMED, AMBASSADOR VOLPE CAN EXTEND A FORMAL INVITATION TO ANDREOTTI.

4. JERRY JONES HAS JUST TOLD ME THAT THE PRESIDENT HAS OK'D BO CALLAWAY AS SECRETARY OF THE ARMY AND GOVERNOR LOVE AS SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE. ~~DO YOU SEE ANY PROBLEM WITH EITHER OF THESE?~~

5. THE PICTURES AND FILMS OF YOUR HANOI STOP GOT POSITIVE TOP BILLING IN THE PAPERS AND NETWORK NEWS SHOWS.

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*OK to have State check acceptability of 10 for you
yes*

*Later
No problem*

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